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Panelist Biographies

Max Stier is the founding president and CEO of the Partnership for Public Service. Mr. Stier has overseen the creation and growth of a network connecting more than 1,000 colleges and universities with 80 federal agencies; a center focusing on the presidential transition; an awards program that recognizes exceptional civil servants for their extraordinary accomplishments; annual rankings that examine employee engagement; and more. Before coming to the Partnership, he served as the deputy general counsel for litigation at the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

David J. Apol is Acting Director and General Counsel at the Office of Government Ethics (OGE). Prior to his position as General Counsel at OGE, Mr. Apol served as the Chief Counsel for Administrative Law at the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, an Associate General Counsel at OGE, and as Associate Counsel to the President.

Norman Ornstein is a resident scholar at the American Enterprise Institute and a columnist and contributing editor for The Atlantic. He is also Chairman of the Campaign Legal Center. For thirty years he was an election eve analyst for CBS News; since 2012, he has been a principal on-air election eve analyst for BBC News. He is also a consultant for the Emmy-award winning HBO series VEEP. Mr. Ornstein helped create the Continuity of Government Commission, where he served as senior counselor.

Henry Kerner serves as Special Counsel at the Office of Special Counsel. He graduated from Harvard Law School and spent 18 years working as a career prosecutor in California. In 2011, he joined the staff of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, the chief investigative committee of the United States House of Representatives.

Daniel R. Levinson has headed the Office of Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) for over a decade. Mr. Levinson first entered Federal service in 1983 as Deputy General Counsel of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management. In 2001, President George W. Bush appointed Mr. Levinson to be Inspector General of the U.S. General Services Administration and in 2005 Inspector General of HHS.

David Williams currently serves as a Distinguished Professor at the Schar School of Government and Policy at George Mason University in Arlington, Virginia. He joined the faculty there in March 2016. He is also the Director of the Center for Organizational Performance and Integrity (COPI) at George Mason University. Before joining the faculty at George Mason University, Mr. Williams was sworn in as the Inspector General (IG) for the U.S. Postal Service on August 20, 2003. Mr. Williams has also served as IG for five federal agencies.

Gaston L. Gianni, Jr. was nominated by President Clinton on December 20, 1995, and confirmed by the U.S. Senate on March 29, 1996, as the first presidentially appointed Inspector General of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). He was sworn into office on April 29, 1996 and served both the Clinton and Bush Administrations in that position until December 30, 2004. Prior to becoming Inspector General, Mr. Gianni was a senior executive at the Government Accountability Office (GAO). Mr. Gianni served at GAO for over 31 years.

Mary L. Kendall is the Deputy Inspector General for the Department of the Interior. She has been with the Office of Inspector General (OIG) since the fall of 1999. She has been leading the OIG for Interior since February 23, 2009 when she was named Acting Inspector General, but in keeping with the Vacancies Act, she has since reverted to her title as Deputy Inspector General. Prior to joining DOI OIG, Mary worked in the Environmental Protection Agency's Office of General Counsel and Office of Criminal Enforcement. She also spent a year detailed as a Special Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Eastern District of Virginia.

Susan Gibson was confirmed as the first Presidentially-appointed and Senate-confirmed Inspector General for the National Reconnaissance Office. Prior to joining the NRO, she served as Principal Deputy General Counsel for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. She also served over 20 years in the Army Judge Advocate General's Corps, retiring as a Colonel.

Peggy Gustafson was sworn in as the Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Commerce on January 9, 2017. She previously served as the Inspector General for the U.S. Small Business Administration from 2009 to 2017. She was the chair of the CIGIE's Legislation Committee from 2010 to 2015. Prior to joining the Inspector General community, she served as General Counsel to Senator Claire McCaskill from Missouri.

Senator Heidi Heitkamp is the first female U.S. Senator elected from North Dakota. She is currently a member of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and also serves as the Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, which has jurisdiction over all Federal Inspectors General.

Michael Horowitz was sworn in as the Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Justice on April 16, 2012, following his confirmation by the U.S. Senate. Mr. Horowitz was previously confirmed by the Senate in 2003 to serve a six-year term as a Commissioner on the U.S. Sentencing Commission. He is currently CIGIE's Chair.

Carrie Johnson is the Justice Correspondent for National Public Radio's Washington Desk. There she covers a wide variety of stories about justice issues, law enforcement and legal affairs for NPR's *Morning Edition* and *All Things Considered*. Prior to joining NPR, she worked at the *Washington Post* for 10 years.

Senator Ron Johnson is a U.S. Senator from the state of Wisconsin and currently serves as the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, which has jurisdiction over all Federal Inspectors General. He was one of the leading champions of the recently-enacted Inspector General Empowerment Act.

Dr. Paul Light is NYU Wagner's Paulette Goddard Professor of Public Service and founding principal investigator of the Global Center for Public Service. Prior to joining NYU, Dr. Light serves as the Douglas Dillon Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution. He is the author of *Monitoring Government: Inspectors General and the Search for Accountability*.

Margaret Weichert currently serves as the Deputy Director for Management at the Office of Management and Budget. As part of her duties, she serves as CIGIE's Executive Chair. Prior to joining OMB, she was a Principal at Ernest & Young LLP.

William P. Barr is Of Counsel at Kirkland & Ellis LLP in the Washington, D.C. office. Bill served as the 77th Attorney General of the United States from 1991 to 1993 under President George H.W. Bush and, prior to that, as the Deputy Attorney General (1990–1991) and as Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Office of Legal Counsel (1989–1990).

Sylvia M. Burwell is American University's 15th president and the first woman to serve as president. Burwell has held two cabinet positions in the United States government. She served as the 22nd secretary of the US Department of Health and Human Services from 2014 to 2017. During her tenure, she managed a trillion-dollar department. Before that, she served as the director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Glenn Fine currently serves as the Principal Deputy Inspector General at the Department of Defense, and has served as the Acting Inspector General since January 2016. Prior to joining the DoD OIG, he was a partner at the law firm Dechert LLP. Mr. Fine previously served as Inspector General of the Department of Justice (DOJ) from 2000 to 2011.

Martha Minow has taught at Harvard Law School since 1981. Minow served as Dean of Harvard Law School between 2009-2017, as the inaugural Morgan and Helen Chu Dean and Professor. She is also the Vice-Chair of the Legal Services Corporation, the bi-partisan, government-sponsored organization that provides civil legal assistance to low-income Americans.